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In the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

56. (Three Times Amended) A data storage [recording] medium comprising:

a data group area including a header area and a digital data area;

the header area including an identification area and a control data area;

the identification area including identification information indicating that at

least a portion of the data group has a data structure for copy prevention;

the control data area including control data such that the control data

controls a parameter of a scrambling operation; and

the digital data area including digital data scrambled based on the control

data.

58. (Twice Amended) The data storage [recording] medium of claim 56,

wherein the control data area stores encrypted control data.

59. (Amended) The data storage [recording] medium of claim 56, wherein

[the] copy prevention information is provided in the control data area and includes

one of current generation information and allowable generation information, the

current generation information indicating a number of times [the] digital data has

been copied and the allowable generation information indicating a number of

permitted copies of the digital data.

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STATUS AND EXPLANATION OF SUPPORT FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

Status

Claims 1-38, 40, 46-49, 57 and 60-69 have been canceled.

Claims 39, 41-45, 50-56 and 58-59 are pending.

Disclosure Support for the Claim Amendments

The above claim amendments are fully supported by the disclosure of the patent, e.g., as follows:

Claims 56, 58 and 59: Figs. 1 and 3; col. 4, line 64 - col.

5, line 27 of the patent.